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For

MEASURING AND LAYOUT DEVICE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action mailed August 23, 2002, Applicant responds as follows.

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 9, 12, 16, 25 and 30 as follows.

9. (Three Times Amended) A measuring and layout device comprising:

a stationary member having a flat surface adapted to be marked on; and

an angle and distance device fixedly and rotatably attached to the stationary member, the angle and distance device including a longitudinally and laterally rigid extendable tape that can be extended from a central point and an edge that facilitates reliably marking on the stationary member to form an accurate template as the angle and distance device is rotated and the tape is extended and retracted to critical features of an area;

wherein the template is formed by markings written directly onto the stationary

member.

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(Three Times Amended) A measuring and layout device comprising:

a stationary member having a flat surface adapted to be marked on; and

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the angle and distance device including a longitudinally and laterally rigid extendable tape that

can be extended from a central point and an edge that facilitates reliably marking on the

stationary member to form an accurate template as the angle and distance device is rotated and

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